(b) if so, the details thereof and the progress of implementation of the project; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) *to* (c) No, Sir. The Committee set up by the Government to examine the need and location of 2nd airport at Mumbai has recently submitted its report to the Government. The report is under examination.

Delay in Operation of IA*s Flights

† 944. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether adherence to time-schedule of the flights by Indian Airlines is getting declined; if so, the number of flights operated by Indian Airlines during the last financial year and the number of flights which were delayed by more than half an hour out of the above;

(b) whether incidents of delayed flights occur more in certain sectors; if so, what aTe these sector alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether flights of Indian Airlines get delayed on account of private airlines services also?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) No, Sir. The on-time performance of Indian Airlines remained at 65% for the last three years. Out of 91837 flights operated during the financial year 1999-2000, 30615 flights were operated with a delay of 16 minutes or above and 1118 flights got cancelled.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

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